

**Amendments to the Claims:**

Please cancel claims 1-3, 5-9, 12, 13, 15, 16, and 19, and amend claims 4, 10, 14, and 17.

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

1-3. (Canceled)

4. (Currently Amended) ~~The A~~ throwing and catching training apparatus ~~stated in claim 3,~~  
further comprising: apparatus, comprising:

an upright, rigid, and substantially planar target panel;

at least one bumper connected to said target panel, and said at least one bumper  
adaptable to deflect a thrown projectile in a random direction;

said target panel having a cut-out portion extending through said target panel for  
further defining a target; and

an elastic material connected to said target panel and extending across said cut-out  
portion of said target panel, and said elastic material adaptable to spring a thrown projectile in  
a reverse direction when said thrown projectile engages said elastic material.

5-9. (Canceled)

10. (Currently Amended) ~~The A~~ throwing and catching training apparatus ~~stated in claim 9,~~  
~~further comprising:~~ apparatus, comprising:

an upright, rigid target panel;

a plurality of elastomeric bumpers releasably connected to said target panel and  
adaptable to deflect a thrown projectile in a random direction;

said target panel having a cut-out portion extending through said target panel for  
further defining a first target; and

an elastic mesh netting connected to said target panel and extending across said cut-  
out portion of said target panel and adaptable to spring a thrown projectile in a reverse  
direction when said thrown projectile engages said elastic mesh netting.

11. (Previously Presented) The throwing and catching training apparatus stated in claim 10,  
further comprising:

a visual target indicia connected to said elastic mesh netting for further defining a  
second target.

12-13. (Canceled)

14. (Currently Amended) ~~The A~~ throwing and catching training apparatus ~~stated in claim 13,~~  
~~wherein said bumpers further comprise:~~ apparatus, comprising:

an upright, rigid target panel;

at least one support structure releasably connected to said target panel for supporting  
said target panel in a substantially upright position;

a plurality of elastomeric bumpers releasably connected to said target panel and adaptable to deflect a thrown projectile in a random direction; and

wherein each of said bumpers further has a stem received by an aperture in said target panel, and said stem having a threaded shaft wherein a releasable fastener engages said shaft to connect said bumper to said target panel; panel, and a substantially circular, dome-shaped head integral with and extending from said stem, wherein said dome-shaped head extends away from said target panel and is adaptable to deflect the thrown projectile in a random direction.

15-16. (Canceled)

17. (Currently Amended) ~~The A throwing and catching training apparatus stated in claim 16, further comprising: apparatus, comprising:~~

an upright, rigid target panel;

at least one support structure releasably connected to said target panel for supporting said target panel in a substantially upright position;

a plurality of elastomeric bumpers releasably connected to said target panel and adaptable to deflect a thrown projectile in a random direction;

said target panel having a substantially rectangular cut-out portion extending through said target panel for further defining a target; and

an elastic mesh netting connected to said target panel and extending across said cut-out portion and adaptable to spring a thrown projectile in a reverse direction when said thrown projectile engages said elastic mesh netting.

18. (Original) The throwing and catching training apparatus stated in claim 17, further comprising:

a ribbon fabric intertwined within said elastic mesh netting for further defining said target.

19. (Canceled)